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The Morning Star.

OUTLINES.

Both houses of Congress assembled at noon; in the Senate the proceedings were short, adjournment for the day taking place after announcement of the death of Vice President Hobart; in the House, Richardson of Iowa was elected Speaker, and the Reed rules for the government of the body were adopted; upon objection Representative Roberts of Utah was not sworn in and a committee was appointed to investigate charges made against him by Representative Taylor of Ohio. — The main charge against Roberts, the Utah representative, is that he is not a citizen of the United States. — The Erne and O'Brien fight at Coney Island was declared a draw at the end of the 25th round. — Baptist Ministers' Association of Georgia by resolution ask Georgia's representatives in Congress to oppose the seating of Roberts of Utah. — The U. S. Supreme Court decided against the constitutionality of the combination of pipe manufacturers. — New York markets: Money on call strong at 6@12 per cent., last loan offered at 12 per cent.; cotton quiet; middling uplands 7¼c.; the flour market was at first dull and easy, but on the late option in wheat buyers appeared ready to pay old asking prices and a fair business transpired; wheat —spot firmer; No 2 red 78c.; corn—spot steady; No. 2, 40c.; rosin steady; strained common to good $1 35@1.40; spirits turpentine steady at 51@51½c.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 4.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 44 degrees; 8 P. M., 43 degrees; maximum, 57 degrees; minimum, 43 degrees; mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .00; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, .06.

Stage of water in the river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M 7 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO-DAY.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—For North Carolina: Fair Tuesday and Wednesday; fresh winds, mostly northerly.

Port Almanac--Dec. 5.

Sun Rises	6 59 A. M.
Sun Sets	4 43 P. M.
Day's Length	9 H 44 M.
High Water at Southport	9.34 P. M.
High Water, Wilmington	1.04 A. M.

A contemporary asks "Are leaders born or made?" Some of them are born, but the newspapers are responsible for a good many of them.

It cost "Golden Rule" Jones, of Ohio, $7,801.88 to see how far he would run behind the other fellows, but he has the satisfaction of knowing that most of the money was contributed by other folks.

Some footpads are more considerate than others. A couple of them sandbagged a wayfarer in Minneapolis the other night, robbed him, carried him to a lodging house, put him to bed and paid his lodging.

Chicago has an aristocratic highwayman who scorns to be called a footpad. He carries on business in a buggy, and is making a success of it so far, having gone through a number of people without the police getting on to him.

The record of the Life-Saving Service for the year closing June 30th last, was 3,847 persons and $6,000,000 worth of property saved, There are heroes in that service, and how who ever hears of them, and how little reward they receive.

Taking the cue from the milk combines in Northern cities the milkmen in Atlanta have pooled their issues and raised the price 50 per cent. They say they had to either raise the price or adulterate. They will continue to adulterate, as usual.

Off For Conference.

A number of Methodist ministers from this city and neighboring places, left last night for Washington, N. C., to attend the North Carolina Conference, M. E. Church, which convenes there to morrow and will sit till next Sunday.

Among the conference goers was the Rev. A. S. Barnes, pastor of Market Street M. E. Church, and his wife. Mr. Barnes, who has closed his second year at the Market Street Church goes up to Conference with a fine report. All the conference assessments and the pastor's salary have been paid in full, and the debt for the handsome parsonage on Ninth and Market streets, has been reduced by $300. The membership of the church is also in good condition.

Among those who went to conference last night was the Rev. A. R. Raven, pastor of Scott's Hill Circuit. Presiding Elder R. F. Bumpass, the Rev. A. P. Tyre, pastor of Grace Church, the Rev. John A. Hall pastor of Fifth Street Church, and the Rev. B. B. Culbreth, pastor of Bladen Street Church, will go to Washington to night.

— The Rev. Dr. C. S. Blackwell, pastor of the First Baptist Church, and the Rev. R. H. Herring, pastor of Southside Baptist Church, left yesterday for Asheville to attend the State Baptist Association.

N. C. CONFERENCE INVITED TO MEET HERE.

The Board of Stewards of Grace Church Unanimously Extends Invitation—Financial Report for Grace.

At a meeting of the board of stewards of Grace M. E. church last night at the parsonage, on Third and Walnut streets, the work of the conference year was gone over. The financial statement shows that the church has exceeded all records in its history.

The board unanimously adopted a resolution inviting the North Carolina Conference to hold its session in 1900 in this city at Grace church. The Rev. A. P. Tyer, the pastor, who leaves to-night to attend the Conference at Washington, N. C., was instructed to present the invitation to Conference to hold its next session here.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The schooner *D. J. Sawyer*, Capt Kelley, lumber laden for Barbados, sailed yesterday.

— Sergeant Albert Brown, of Fort Caswell, came up yesterday and left last night for Delaware City, Del.

— Wrapping papers have advanced in price, but old newspapers may be had at the STAR office at lower prices than ever before.

— Justice Bornemann yesterday received bond from Thos. Williams, colored, in the sum of $100 justified, and he was released from prison.

— The regular monthly meeting of the board of managers of the Produce Exchange will be held at 11 o'clock this morning at the rooms of the Exchange.

— The Young Peoples' Organ Fund Society of Grace M. E. Church will meet at 8 o'clock Tuesday night at the residence of Mrs. John F. Garrell, on Third and Walnut streets.

— The Superintendent of Health yesterday received seven bids for the exclusive city scavenger privilege for which proposals were advertised Sunday. Bids close to day at noon.

— The Clyde steamship *Oneida*, Capt. Staples, arrived yesterday from New York via Norfolk with Wilmington freight from aboard the disabled steamship *Richmond*, which put in at Norfolk last week. The *Saginaw* is expected in port to day.

— The regular prayer meeting at Grace M. E. Church will be held tomorrow night. By request of the pastor, the Rev. A. P. Tyer, who will be absent attending Conference at Washington. N. C., the Conference will be the special subject of prayer.

— Mr. O. M. Fillyaw, one of "Brooklyn's" representative citizens, has been appointed by Col. John D. Taylor, Clerk of the Superior Court, to be a magistrate, instead of Tony Swain, who was recently sent to the penitentiary for house-breaking.

— The steamer *Driver* arrived from Fayetteville yesterday morning and returned late in the afternoon. The *Seabright* came up from Little River, S. C., last night. The *Hawes* and *Hurt* are expected in port to day from Clear Run and Fayetteville, respectively.

— Attention is directed this morning to the seasonable announcement of Messrs. J. B. & J. C. King, the up-to-date Market street grocers. Their large store rooms are stocked with the freshest and nicest of family groceries and courteous and gentlemanly treatment is one of the things that contribute to make trading easy at this store. Call Bell 'Phone 365.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

N. F. Parker—Fine goods.
J. T. Burke—Holiday gifts.
S. & B. Solomon—Proud feet.
J. B. & J. C. King—Specialties.
S. H. MacRae—Bankrupt notice.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

Lost—Lady's gold watch.
John J. Kelly—Crockery.

Brought Down a Buck.

Col. Kenneth M Murchison and Mr. John Kenneth Williams, with horn and hound and gun, penetrated the wilds of Orton plantation yesterday in quest of game. An "antlered monarch," kommonly kalled a "buck," rewarded the efforts of the sturdy hunters. Whether he fell a victim to the deadly aim of Kenneth M. or John Kenneth has not transpired, the cablegram containing this important information having probably been "delayed in transmission." Parenthetically the field editor of the STAR would remark that neither hair, hide, hoofs, horn nor flesh of that deer has been received at this wigwam.

Struck With a Stone.

Roy LeGwin, the twelve-year old son of Mr. J. J. LeGwin, on Fifth near Church street, sustained a serious accident yesterday afternoon about 6 o'clock. A negro boy threw a stone striking him on the head, making an ugly wound Dr. W. J. H. Bellamy was summoned and stitched up the wound. The colored boy who threw the stone is not known but efforts are being made to capture him.

Put in for Harbor.

A special from Southport to the STAR says:

The trim yawl-rigged auxiliary yacht *Cero*, of the New York Yacht Club, arrived for harbor Sunday. She left New York November 6th, and is bound on a Winter cruise to Miami and Key West, and will proceed as soon as the high westerly winds moderate.

A LENGTHY SESSION.

The Board of Aldermen Held Their December Meeting Last Night.

MANY MATTERS CONSIDERED.

But Mostly of a Routine or Uninteresting Nature—Sewerage System Wanted. Lighting Contract Again—Patrol Wagon at Last.

Nothing of special interest to the public came up at last night's meeting of the Board of Aldermen, which was called to order at 8 o'clock in regular monthly session in the City Court room. Mayor Waddell presided and all members were present except Alderman West.

Reports of committees were called for and under head of the Market Committee, Alderman Montgomery suggested some improvements to Front street Market House. It was referred back to the committee.

Alderman Springer, of the Lights Committee, said that at the request of the Mayor he had consented to remain on the committee until the Mayor saw fit to relieve him. A discussion of the lighting contract then ensued. Alderman Springer said that he had from the committee only to report that judging by reports of policemen and no complaints coming in from citizens, that the lights were materially improved. Mr. Skelding, he said, had been out of town, that he had not yet been able to make the test asked for at the last meeting as to whether or not the Street Railway Company was living up to its contract for the city's lighting.

Alderman Parker said that he had inquired from citizens in regard to the light service during the last month and the reports he received were to the effect that the lights were better. In view of these facts, he moved that the bills held up by order of the board be approved and paid. The motion was seconded by Alderman Spencer.

Alderman Taylor said that it would be unfortunate to pay the bills after holding them up, at least until the board had some positive evidence that the company was fulfilling the contract.

The matter was further discussed at some length, and Alderman Worth offered a substitute that the present instructions to the committee be continued, and that they be requested not to delay the matter any longer than necessary. The substitute was carried.

Alderman Woollard advocated the employment of an electrical expert to assist the committee in making its investigation touching this matter. No action was taken upon this suggestion.

Alderman Hanby, of the Public Building Committee, reported the improvements to the various fire engine houses and opera house, as noted from time to time in the STAR. He also stated that he was receiving bids for the building of a portico for the opera house.

In this connection Alderman Taylor suggested the practicability of advertising for bids for rental of the opera house, the lease on which expires January 1st, 1900. The chairman of the Public Building Committee was ordered to make the necessary advertisement.

A lengthy discussion followed the consideration of the report of the Sanitary Committee. Alderman MacRae referred to the resignation of Mr. Slocomb, the contractor for the city scavenger work, and the new ordinance governing this matter was fully discussed. It was the idea of the promoters of the new ordinance to let the contract for the eight scavenger districts of the city to as many contractors, it being assigned as the cause of Mr. Slocomb's failure the fact that the territory is too large to be successfully controlled by one man. No definite action of public interest was taken, as bids are now being received from new contractors for this privilege.

Mayor Waddell, in this connection, called attention to the pressing need of a thorough system of sewerage and stated that he desired to press the question and hoped that the board would take some action looking to this end.

Alderman MacRae after some discussion moved that the chairman of the Finance Committee be requested to ascertain if arrangements can be made with some corporation to put in a system of sewerage and rent the same to the city until it can be purchased.

Tax on $5,000 erroneously listed by the Johnson Dry Goods Co., was abated.

Brook G. Empie, Esq., presented a petition from a number of Fifth Ward residents asking that country and huckster carts be allowed stand at corner of Seventh and Castle streets under same conditions as Front street Market house. No action was taken.

Alderman MacRae spoke of the Princess street paving and referred complimentary to the use of vitrified brick. He further reported that he was told by a property owner along this thoroughfare that the people are responding favorably to the idea of paying a part of the expenses in accordance with the recent resolution of the Board. The county he thought would allow an amount sufficient to meet the expenses of paving the street bordering along its property in the proportion provided for in the resolution. He stated that the Streets and Wharves Committee were further considering the matter of purchase of road machinery and that he had assurances that the Board of Audit and Finance would allow an appropriation for this purpose.

Alderman Woolard made a motion, which prevailed, that the Superintendent of Streets be required to make a monthly report of the progress of his work to the board.

It was ordered that the pay of Mr. D. Sheehan as a member of the street force, be continued until Saturday night next, and that after that time he receive half pay until January 1st, 1900.

Alderman Taylor reported the completion of the hose wagons for the fire department. He also reported that he had let the contract for the new wire for the fire alarm system to A. J. Howell, Jr., of Wilmington, at $37.83 per mile. He also referred to the need of the fire alarm tower and gave the status of the question.

The Mayor stated that the city was now without a patrol service. The Board of Audit and Finance had refused an appropriation for a patrol wagon on the ground that the city had already a contract with Messrs. S. P. Cowan & Co., which was cheaper. The Mayor further stated that the bills of Messrs. Cowan & Co., were now disapproved and the police department was without a patrol service.

Upon motion of Alderman Taylor, $250 was appropriated for the purchase of a patrol wagon, horse and harness, subject of course, to the concurrence of the Board of Audit and Finance.

Alderman Hanby reported having formally received the pest houses recently constructed by contractor Thad F. Tyler on the lot donated by the county to the northeast of the city. They are five in number and the lot (four acres) is enclosed by a neat and substantial fence.

The Superintendent of Health was empowered to appoint substitute health inspectors in case of sickness.

The reports of the chiefs of the various departments were deferred for consideration until a subsequent meeting.

The board adjourned at 12 o'clock subject to call of the Mayor.

FISHBLATE CLOTHING CO.

Had Formal Opening of Their Magnificent New Establishment Yesterday—Many Visitors Were Present.

The formal opening of the magnificent establishment of the Fishblate Clothing Company in the New Masonic Temple yesterday was attended with a measure of success worthy of the enterprise and progressiveness which necessarily had to enter into combination to form an institution of this kind—metripolitan in its character and elegant in its every appointment.

During the day, from the time the store doors were thrown open in the early morning until 9 o'clock last night, over one thousand visitors poured into the store either to make purchases or to take a look at Mr. Fishblate's handsome business apartments, which possess an attractiveness that the pedestrian cannot resist when passing that way, and which, as a visitor remarked yesterday, "Have no equal in the Carolinas."

The store has a solid glass front, the show windows alone being of heavy plate glass eight by nine feet in size, and the whole lighted with many bright little incandescents and a large improved arc light, which hangs just over the door.

Inside the store the visitor finds everything new. To the left upon entering there are long "silent salesman" show cases, filled with new and stylish furnishings, and upon the right is found a pretty hat case filled with the latest shapes and styles in fashionable men's headgear for which the Fishblate Clothing Company is justly famous.

In front there are long counters of native woods prettily finished in hard oil and almost groaning under their weight of men's and boy's clothing picked especially from the great markets North for the Fall and Winter business at this mammoth emporium of bargains. The aisles are handsomely furnished with velvet carpet of pretty design.

In the rear of the store to an "L" at the right are three apartments neatly partitioned for office, tailoring department and dressing room. Next in the rear in the centre of the room and slightly elevated, is the children's department, furnished with easy chairs for parents making purchases of clothing for "the boys" and other furniture for the neat display of suits and for the comfort of buyers. The floor is covered with a pretty and costly velvet carpet.

The entire store, which is a credit to the city, is brilliantly lighted with four large arc lights, and the building at night presents a scene of brilliancy and splendor excelled by no salesroom in Wilmington.

At the opening yesterday each visitor was given as a souvenir of the occasion a handsome gold scarf pin or a morrocco diary, bearing the inscription: "1900. Compliments of the Fishblate Clothing Company."

The opening was indeed a brilliant success, and has been eclipsed by no similar event in the history of the city.

Knights of Pythias.

Stonewall Lodge No. 1, K. of P., at its meeting last night, elected the following officers for the ensuing year:

C. C.—J. D. Kelly.
V. C.—J. O. Wiggs.
Prelate—W. C. Smith.
M. of W.—J. J. Hopkins.
K. of R. and S.—N. G. Robertson.
M. of F.—L. F. Barnes.
M. of E.—H. J. Beirman.
M. at A.—W. S. Wishart.
I. G.—W. L. Jacobi.
O. G.—J. M. Holmes.

DECEMBER MEETINGS HELD YESTERDAY.

Board of County Commissioners Reorganized for the Fiscal Year—Many Routine Matters Were Considered.

The last meeting of the Board of County Commissioners for the fiscal year ending December 1st, was held yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, all members being present.

Business transacted at the afternoon session was for the most part routine in its character and a recess was taken until 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

The reorganization of the old board was held at 3 o'clock and Col. Roger Moore was re elected chairman.

At the meeting of the old board the following persons were exempted from poll tax on account of physical disabilities: Judson Gurganus, Charles Craig, W. H. Davis and Albert Jones, colored. Exemption was refused to Wm. Nixon.

An application from Mr. Edward Broadus to have error in valuation of his property in block 106 corrected and those of Messrs. J. C. Collins and F. S. Thomas for relief from poll tax on grounds of non-residency, were referred to the county attorney.

Dr. W. D. McMillan, the county physician, reported having treated 139 patients in the office and having made 53 professional visits to 36 patients. The County Home was reported in good sanitary condition, no acute cases of sickness having occurred in three months. The jail was reported to be remarkably clean after its former crowded condition. The superintendent did not receive a professional call from the jail during the month, which shows care and a good sanitary condition.

Chairman Moore reported that $16,500 in notes due the Wilmington National Bank had been paid December 1st, and the notes duly cancelled.

Poll tax of Daniel Nixon was ordered refunded on account of overage.

At the meeting of the new board the hearing of the regular monthly reports was the chief matter to engage the members.

Register of Deeds Biddle reported having paid into the treasury $23.75, revenue from twenty five marriage licenses less commission.

Col. Jno. D. Taylor tendered his bond for renewal as Clerk of the Superior Court in the sum of $10,000, with Messrs. B. F. Hall, James Sprunt and J. C. Stevenson as sureties. The clerk was ordered to notify all other persons concerned that their official bonds must be received and presented at a called meeting of the board to be held Friday, December 15.

Three names were dropped from the out-door poor list.

Col. Taylor, clerk of the Superior Court, submitted his annual statement of moneys belonging in his hands Nov. 30th. The amount is $2,073.72.

Capt. Barry, road superintendent, tendered his monthly report of disbursements and same was approved and ordered on file. He now has 31 convicts at work on the Castle Haynes road near the iron bridge and is making very satisfactory progress.

Night Session.

The board met again last night at 8 o'clock, those in attendance being Chairman Moore and Commissioner McEachern. Holmes, and Alexander.

The following resolution was adopted.

"*Resolved*, that Island Creek from the county fence to North East River, and the North East and the Cape Fear Rivers are declared a lawful fence, and the shore channel of Middle Sound from the eastern end of the water fence and the Banks Channel be declared a lawful fence."

On application from Messrs. J. T. and F. M. Foy, of Scotts Hill, Pender County, the followin was adopted:

"*Resolved*, That the gate (of the county fence) on the public road leading to Newbern be placed on the northern end of Foy's lane, provided it does not entail extra expense to the county, and that Messrs Joseph T. and F. M. Foy bind themselves to keep the fence along said lane between the gate and the regular line of county fence; and if at any time the fence along said lane is not kept up, then it is understood that the gate will be moved along the line of county fence."

The secretary was instructed to send the Messrs. Foy a copy of the above resolution, and ask that they reply to the same, giving their signatures.

With regard to the bridge to be built on the road from Wrightsville to Summer Rest, Capt. John Barry, superintendent of county roads, was instructed to make specifications and call for bids to be submitted at the next meeting of the board.

The application of Mr. Vance Norwood for a reduction of the assessment of a house and lot in block 220 was disallowed.

The board took a recess till 2.30 o'clock this afternoon.

Holiday Shopping.

The holiday shopper can find no better place to drop in and inspect a new and pretty line of presents suitable for ladies gentlemen than at the jewelry parlors of Mr. J. T. Burke, No. 27 South Front street. The selections have been carefully made by Mr. Burke with respect to quality, style and price and to make your purchases without consulting his superb line is perhaps to be unsatisfied after mature reflection. He carries also in stock a variety of musical instruments of standard manufacture at much less than catalogue prices.

— Mr. Wm. E. Springer, a member of the joint board of finance of the North Carolina Conference, which convenes in Washington, N. C., on Thursday, will leave this morning to attend the sessions of the Conference.

ECHOES OF THE FAIR.

The Receipts at the Two Weeks' Entertainment at Masonic Temple Were $4,572.86.

RESULTS VERY SATISFACTORY

The Expenses Were Nearly a Thousand Dollars — Shares Awarded Last Night—About Fifty Books Are Now Outstanding.

The Masonic Fair, which was held at the Temple for the two weeks ending last Saturday night, was not only a momentous social occasion, but it proved a financial success beyond the expectations of the Masons of Wilmington. Up to the last footings last night, the receipts during the two weeks amounted to $5,572.86, and the expenses were $976.77, leaving a balance of $4,596.09 to be applied to the floating debt incurred for furnishing the Temple. There will be some additional receipts to be added to the above figures.

The fair closed Saturday night, but last night a large number of ladies and gentlemen assembled at the Temple to witness the award of shares on a large number of donations. Besides the donations disposed of last night there are still outstanding about fifty books on articles of various kinds. The shares on these will be disposed of next Monday night.

Last night the shares were disposed of as follows:

St John's Lodge Booth—Fifty-dollar steel Buck range donated through Messrs. W. E. Springer & Co., the agents, awarded to Capt. James I. Metts; gents suit pattern, Mr. Hugh O. Wallace; Japanese pillow, Mr. Ike Bear; 100 cigars, Capt. Geo. L. Morton; Winchester rifle, Capt Edgar L. Hart; double barrel shot gun, Mr. W. N. Penny; two blooded pigs, Mr. T. H. Johnson; handsome couch, Mr. A. C. Sneed.

Orient Lodge Booth—Pair gent's hand made shoes, Mr. C. T. Bennett; parlor stove, Mr. E. P. Willard; suit pattern, Mr. W. H. Fallon; fishing rod and reel, Mr. D. McEachern: English dress pattern, Mrs. E. H Cranmer; Memoirs of the war of '76, Mr. Iredell Meares, gasoline cooking stove, Mrs. A. M. Waddell, Jr.

Wilmington Lodge Booth—Handsome rocking chair, Mr. W. B. Murrill, of Jacksonville, N. C.; double barrel shotgun, Mr. J. P. Durham, of Rocky Point; double-barrel shotgun, Mr. W. L. Kure; square parlor stove, Mr. L. J. Cooper.

Shrine Booth—Pair gent's shoes, Mr. W. J. Martin; lap robe, Mr. L. B. Love, two boxes cigars, Mr. E. K. Bryan; oak mantlepiece, Mr. W. L. Everett; fishing rod and reel, Col. F. W. Foster; brass coal scuttle, Mrs. Louise Korb.

Concord Chapter Booth—Imported dress pattern, Miss Adelaide Behrends; parlor stove, Dr. George F. Lucas, Currie, N. C.; pair lady's shoes, Mr. E. A. Brown.

Plantagenet Commandery Booth—Handsome Knights Templar pillow, donated by Mrs. W. F. Martin, of Utica, N. Y., awarded to Mr. James W. Monroe; pair lady's riding boots, Mr. W H. McMillan; pair pants, Mr. L. B. Love.

While several of the Masonic committee were disposing of the shares, Col. Noble F. Martin sold a couple of hundred articles of various kinds. The auction sale footed up $56 50. Among the articles sold at auction was a double horse buggy pole to Mr. C. O. Byerly for $5.50; a stove to Messrs. W. E. Springer & Co. for $6, and an "Our Leader" range to Mr. R. H. Pickett for $12.50.

THE BIG GEORGIA MINSTRELS.

Will Appear at the Opera House To-night. Street Parade This Afternoon.

Continuous vaudeville seems to be the real thing in the cities. "Continuous fun" is the motto of Richards & Pringle's—Rusco & Holland's Big Minstrel Festival, who bring an entire new company of fun-makers, retaining only the famous Billy Kersands and Harry Fidler from last season. There is no fall of the curtain from the commencement of the jollification until the finish; the programme is too long to permit of any waits or long drawn out overtures. It is one continuous round of pleasure and surprising novelties. They will appear in this city at the Opera House tonight. The big street parade, a necessary adjunct to all minstrel organizations, will take place at 2.30 this afternoon and it is said to be a very novel one.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. W. H. Hannah, of Reidsville, was a guest at The Orton yesterday.

— Miss Nan. Sharp left for her home in Portsmouth yesterday, after a stay of about ten days here, which she greatly enjoyed.

— Mr. N. H. Carter, of Wallace, N. C., the clever travelling salesman for the Hughes Buggy Co., of Lynchbury, Va., was here yesterday calling on the trade.

— Little Miss Julia Bryant, of Greensboro, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Thos. C. Lewis, has returned home, much to the regret of her many friends.

— Capt. L. C. Jones and bride, who have been spending a while at his old home at Jonesboro, since their marriage at Fayetteville, arrived in the city last evening. They will sojourn at Mr. Lee Holmes', 120 Grace street.

Specialties at---
J. B. & J. C. KING'S THIS WEEK.
CELERY. NICE BREAKFAST STRIPS AT... 10c
NICE HAMS AT.... 12 1-2c
J. B. & J. C. KING,
131-135 Market Street.
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FIRE ON THE SOUND.

The Warrock House On Masonboro, Belonging to Mr. A. C. Sneed, Totally Destroyed—Loss About $3,000.

Mr. A. C. Sneed, who some time ago bought Capt. W. S. Warrock's valuable place on Masonboro Sound, five miles from the city, had the misfortune to lose his house by fire Sunday evening at 6 30 o'clock. The house caught fire in the roof from a spark from the kitchen and was totally destroyed. Mr. Sneed's neighbors came to his assistance and some of his furniture was saved, but a large portion of it was also consumed with the building, together with household effects and provisions.

The loss on the house is about $2,800, and there is only $1,500 insurance on it; the policy being with Messrs. Walker Taylor & Metts, underwriters' agents. On the furniture there was a policy for $300, and that will probably cover the loss.

Mr. Sneed's residence was one story and a jump, and contained nine rooms. It was a commodious house, and with the improvements by Capt. W. S Warrock, its former owner, its construction cost about $3,000.

Mr. Sneed expects to rebuild right away.

CAPE FEAR CAMP.

The Confederate Veterans Held Their Monthly Meeting Last Night.

The regular monthly meeting of Cape Fear Camp No. 254, U. C V., was held last night at the Armory of the Wilmington Light Infantry. Capt. Jas. I Metts, Commander, presided, and Capt. Henry Savage, Adjutant, acted as secretary.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and approved.

The resignation of Sergeant Major P. Heinsberger was tendered and accepted, and Comrade R. F. Hamme was unanimously elected Sergeant Major in his stead.

The committee on the cemetery lot made its report and a committee consisting of Col. F. W. R. Kerchner, as chairman, and Capt. W. R. Kenan, was appointe to look further into the matter.

General F. M. Parker, in a letter, reported the death of Dr. W. C. McDuffie, of Fayetteville, member of the staff of the Third Brigade, and other comrades.

Commander Metts appointed Comrades O. M. Fillyaw and John R. Marshall members of the Relief Committee.

An invitation from the reunion committee at Louisville, Ky., with an extract from Col. B. H Young's speech, was read and ordered to be spread on the minutes.

On motion of Col. Kerchner, it was resolved, that hereafter whenever the Camp is ordered out for parade at funerals or other functions of the Camp, they shall meet at the W. L. I. armory for formation and march in a body to such point as the commander may designate. It is furthermore understood that all members having uniforms will wear them on all such occasions.

It was ordered that arrangements be made to have a supply of badges on hand so that members desiring them can procure them at once.

On motion, the commander was requested to appoint a committee to arrange for the celebration of General R. E. Lee's birthday and to confer and join with the Daughters of the Confederacy and Sons of Veterans and other Confederate associations in arranging for such celebration and that the commander shall be chairman of that committee.

AN IMPORTANT MEETING.

Chamber of Commerce Will Hold An Important Session This Morning.

President Wm. E. Worth, of the Chamber of Commerce, has called a special meeting of that body, to be held at its rooms in the Seaboard Air Line building this morning at 10.30 o'clock, for the purpose of considering a matter of very great importance to the commercial welfare of Wilmington. For this reason it is his especial desire that every member shall be in attendance.

It will be remembered that some time ago the STAR made reference to a trip of Hon. Jno. D. Bellamy, Hon. Jno. H. Small and other prominent men down the river to ascertain Wilmington's harbor needs in view of asking Congress for a substantial increase in the annual appropriation for river and harbor improvement.

The meeting to-day will be for the consideration of this matter and it is understood from President Worth that the Chamber of Commerce of Fayetteville will join Wilmington's business men in any concerted action toward this end. A communication will be read from that body at the meeting this morning.

One of the principal ideas in view is to secure an appropriation sufficient to have the river channel dredged to a depth and width, which will allow vessels drawing twenty feet of water and over to swing in the stream at low tide.

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In regard to an up-to-date line of HOLIDAY GIFTS. Ladies as well as Gentlemen are requested to investigate quality as well as prices.
Watches, Clocks, Jewelry and Jewelry Novelties.
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Christmas Doubts
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IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF THE UNITED States for the Eastern District of North Carolina In the matter of T. J Wescott & Co., Bankrupts. In Bankruptcy To the creditors of T. J Wescott & Co., of Southport in the county of Brunswick, District aforesaid, Bankrupts: Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of September, A. D. 1899, the said T. J Wescott & Co. were duly adjudged bankrupt; and that the first meeting of their creditors will be held at the Federal Court room in Wilmington, N. C., on the 19th day of December, A. D., 1899, at 1.30 o'clock in the afternoon. At which time the said creditors may attend, prove their claims, appoint a trustee, examine the bankrupts and transact such other business as may properly come before said meeting.
Fayetteville, N. C., December 1, 1899.
SAMUEL H. MACRAE,
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IT IS A MISTAKE
As stated in yesterday's "Messenger," that there are no Business Houses FOR RENT. One of the most desirable stores in the city, now occupied by Fishblate Clothing Company.
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FOUR DWELLINGS IN GOOD ORDER and centrally located.
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New Meat Market.
This is to inform the many friends of Mr. Johnnie Hintz that he has completed arrangements to go into the Meat Business under the firm name of J. H. Hintz & Co., on stalls Nos. and 8, north side of Market House, formerly occupied by C. S. Garrell & Co., where by polite attention and dispatch he hopes for a full share of the patronage of his old friends.
J. H. HINTZ.
Inter-State 'Phone 238, Bell 'Phone 126.
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Contract advertisers will not be allowed to exceed their space or advertise anything foreign to their regular business without extra charge at transient rates.

Advertisements kept under the head of "New Advertisements" will be charged fifty per cent. extra.

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The Morning Star.

BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON. N. C.

TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5.

WHY TRUSTS ARE INJURIOUS.

There are some who defend the trusts by the contention that in the evolution of industries they have become necessary. This, they say, is an age of colossal undertakings, to accomplish which colossal combination becomes a necessity. Industries, they tell us, never before attained the gigantic proportions that they have in recent years, which would have been impracticable without the trust, and if we expect to see these gigantic enterprises continue and hope to compete with the world as we have been doing recently, we must not hamper the trusts but give them full swing and generous encouragement.

Conceding, for sake of argument, all that is herein said about colossal enterprises, wonderful achievement, and success in competing with the world, that is no argument for nor defence of trusts; it simply goes to show what can be accomplished by combination of capital under intelligent, competent and experienced management. That's one thing, a trust is another, and there is as much difference between them as there is between an elephant and a fox. Combinations of capital are a necessity in business. They exist in all departments of business, and in all combines. There isn't a village in the United States where we do not see it. The only industry in which it is not the dominating idea is the industry of the farm. A man who wants to engage in merchandising but has not sufficient capital to start as he wants to finds a partner, and with their joint capital they begin business. So factories are started by men neither one of whom might have enough to establish one himself. This is combination. This store or factory might grow to be immense concerns taking in new partners with their added capital, and become collossal combinations; but they would be combinations; that's all; not trusts. The idea underlaying such combinations is to accomplish with the capital of two or more what could not be accomplished with the capital of any one of them. This is what open stores, builds factories, works mines, builds railroads, vessels to ply rivers, lakes and seas, in fact, it is what makes enterprise, business and commerce possible. Necessity, business sense and expediency are at the bottom of this, while the trust is based on the idea of monopoly.

The first move is to combine all the plants of any importance under one management and absorb or crush those which do not come in, thus getting control of the article or articles it handles, destroying competition and securing the desired monopoly. Instead of a number of respectably sized plants each working in its own way, and competing with the others, we have one octopus, producing no more, perhaps not as much as the others did before, arbitrary master of the field, and without competition. Whether the country will be developed more by the trust than by the plants it combined will depend upon eventualities, and the demand for development, but that the people will not be benefitted as much by it as they were by the plants acting independently, is too apparent for argument.

The main idea of the trust being to make large profits it conducts its operations with that view, reduces expenses as much as possible and raises prices as much as possible, thus cutting the wage-earners whom it employs, and the consumers who buy its goods. But it does more than that, for having removed all competition in the selling line it also removed all competition in the buying line, and can therefore put its own price on the raw materials it uses, and thus have the producers of these materials at its mercy as it has the wage-earners and the producers, all these forming, practically speaking, the bulk of the people of the country.

For illustration: it was reported sometime ago that a scheme was under consideration for a combination of all or as many as possible of the Southern cotton mills and putting them under one management. This was pronounced by some who favored it a great scheme. It would be for the combiners, but not for anybody else. Probably the first thing this trust would have done if it had been organized would be to close up most of the smaller mills, thus destroying the home market for the cotton growers around them and throwing out of employment the workers in the mills. Having no competition in the market as bidders for cotton it would make its own price and the planter would have to sell at that price, unless he could get a higher price from the exporters, or hold his cotton and take chances. We know that the advance in the price of cotton this year was largely due to the demand and amount bought by Southern mills, they taking all that was offered and paying more for it than exporters could afford or cared to pay. The trust would have closed up some of its plants and waited until the planters got tired waiting for better prices and then would have gotten cotton at its own price. Would that be a good thing for the planters? But this is simply an illustration of what the trust is generally. Cornerstoned on greed and inspired by monopoly, whatever may be said in defence of it, it is essentially bad, the benefits derived from it being nothing in comparison with the injuries inflicted.

A RAISE IN FERTILIZERS

Since the combine of the leading fertilizer companies prices have advanced and may probably go higher. The farmer who uses but a few bags of fertilizers may not feel it much, but the large planter will, and in the aggregate the advance will amount to many millions of dollars for the next crop. The Atlanta *Constitution* estimates the increased cost to the farmers of Georgia at something over $1,500,000, and to the farmers of the South at $15,000,000. The follwing, which we clip from the *Constitution*, shows the difference between the prices paid last year and what the farmers will have to pay for fertilizers for the next crop:

"One farmer, for instance, sends us his bill for last year, with the prices quoted to him for the next.

"In the Winter of 1898 there was delivered to him at his station as fol lows:

German kainit	$12 50 per ton
Acid phosphate	10 00 per ton
Guano	15.50 per ton

"For the coming season the trust has quoted to him prices thus:

German kainit	$15.98 per ton
Acid phosphate	13 97 per ton
Guano	19.76 per ton

"These advanced prices, based upon the average use of guano for the past few years, means a levy upon Georgia of an additional million and a half of dollars, and upon the South of $15,000,000."

We suppose the reason assigned for the advance on fertilizers is the same as that generally given for increase of prices on other manipulated articles, namely, "the increased cost of raw materials," &c. What this increase has been, if any, we do not know, but we do know that the farmers of the South as a general thing have had some hustling to do keep up with their fertilizer bills at the old prices, and unless prices of farm products run unexpectedly high they will have more hustling to keep up with them hereafter unless they cut down very materially in their purchases.

If the result of this advance in prices will be to make the Southern farmers give more attention to home-made fertilizers, unlimited quantities of the material for which are allowed to go to waste every year, the advance in the price of commercial fertilizers will be a good thing in the long run. The less bought and the more home-made fertilizers used the better.

A pert young lady in a Kansas town concluded she would have some fun and play a practical joke on a lady acquaintance, of the old maid class. She advertised for a husband, describing the lady and signing her name to the advertisement. The advertised got lots of letters, and also got very mad. When she discovered the joker she reciprocated with a suit for $25,000 damages, and the joking Miss doesnt see any fun in that.

A Connecticut court has decided that where death occurs from accident caused by negligence, no damages can be recovered unless the death was accompanied by pain. This was in a suit where a railroad was sued for damages for killing a man. This should encourage the railroads to practice so they could dispatch people nicely and quickly without hurting them.

Robbed the Grave.

A startling incident, of which Mr. John O iver, of Philadelphia, was the subject, is narrated by him as follows: "I was in a most dreadful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite—gradually growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Fortunately, a friend advised trying 'Electric Bitters;' and to my great joy and surprise, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks, and am now a well man. I know they saved my life, and robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try them. Only 50 cents, guaranteed, at R. R. BELLAMY'S drug store. †

THE FINANCIAL PROBLEM.

There is considerable difference between the finance bill that will be presented to the House of Representatives and the bill that will be presented to the Senate, but they will both commit the country to the gold standard. The Republican statesmen seem to be agreed on that. The fact that each House has a scheme of its own and that there is such a difference of opinion as to how far Congress ought to go at this time in dealing with this question, indicates considerable discussion, with more or less compromises, and a good deal of patchwork before they come to an agreement, and then the whole thing will not amount to much in the way of meeting the demands of the country.

Unless they go further in the way of supplying the country with the needed currency than they seem disposed to do, the question will be left practically where it is now and the business interests of the country will be left to wrestle with the difficulties as they have been in the past, notwithstanding the fact that schemes have been suggested by Secretary Gage and other financiers which would relieve the pressure and put it in the power of the people to supply their own currency, without calling on the banks at the money centers or on the Treasury of the United States to help them out. The very thing which the statesmen ought to do is the very thing which they don't want to do. Instead of getting the Government out of the banking business, they are legislating to keep it in.

A shoal of seventy-five bottle-nosed whales was driven on the Shetland shoals one day last week, and the last one of them was bottled, so to speak. As it was the first time in forty-four years that whales were seen in those waters, the presumption is that these were strangers that didn't know how to steer.

That Brooklyn "syndicate," manipulated by one Mr. Miller, scooped about $793,000 from the gudgeons, in twenty-three dayr, before the police got onto it.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE.

—Jonesboro *Progress:* Mr. Allen Bowie, of Lemon Springs, one of the oldest citizens of this section of country died at the home of his nephew, J. Bowie, on last Saturday morning, November 26th, 1899. He was about ninety years of age.

—Raleigh *News and Observer*: Mr. R. L. Joyner, a well known ex-Confederate soldier, died at his home near Scotland Neck Friday morning at 1 o'clock, aged nearly 60 years. He carried a scar from a wound received in battle and limped his way through life as a result of the wound.

—Asheboro *Courier*: Jim McCray, a negro, had a row with Dr. Blair and Lawyer Blair. They kicked him out doors. He went down street drunk, when Policeman Henry Jenkins attempted to arrest him. The negro resisted arrest, and his two brothers, Jim and Rufe, came up and aided him in resisting The Policeman shot Jim, cutting off two fingers, the ball lodging in his neck. A four inch gash was cut in the neck of Rufe McCray. None of the white people were hurt. Jim is up and about, but the doctor says the bullet in his neck will kill him some time.

—Greensboro correspondence of the Charlotte *Observer*: The positive conclusion has not been drawn that the well water used at the Normal is the cause of the sickness there. Dr. Anderson, the bacteriologist, simply wired that the water is bad. He did not say that it contained typhoid germs. Speaking in explanation this evening, Dr. McIver said that he had sent four samples of the well water to be analyzed and that the water that is bad comes from the well that, up to three weeks ago, supplied the drinking water in the dining room of the college.

—Greensboro *Record*: Tom Wade works for the Southern Railway at this place. When the pay roll for the month was fixed up Tom had $38 03 to his credit. Charles Wade seem to have known that Tom had not drawn his money, so he went up, told the man behind the desk that he was Tom Wade, signed his name to the pay-roll, got the money and departed. Of course when Tom came along for his boodie and found it gone he got wrathy and yesterday Charles was hauled up before Justice Pritchett to answer, the result being that he was sent to court. Being unable to furnish a bond for his personal appearance he went to jail.

—Fayetteville *Observer*: Thirty-five Sampson families have moved to Fayetteville in the last month to work in the several cotton factories. We have this from the head of one of these families. Two bales of silk goods, the first manufactured by the Ashley Bailey mill in this city, were shipped north yesterday. Who would have thought twenty years ago that Fayetteville would be shipping manufactured silk abroad before the twentieth century, and still less, that it is not improbable that before the new century is many years gone, Fayetteville may be a silk as well as cotton manufacturing center. The passenger train from Bennettville Thursday ran into a flock of buzzards near the coal shute. When it drew up at the station here, Pem Nelson, a colored porter, spied what he supposed was a wild turkey, roosting contintedly on a beam under the plow, and when he dived under with thoughts of wild turkey and cranberries for dinner tickling his palate, and pulled out a wild turkey buzzard, his disgust was great to behold.

A Thousand Tongues

Could not express the rapture of Annie E Springer, of 1125 Howard street, Philadelphia, Pa., when she found that Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption had completely cured her of a hacking cough that for many years had made life a burden. All other remedies and doctors could give her no help, but she says of this Royal Cure—"It soon removed the pain in my chest and I can now sleep soundly, something I can scarcely remember doing before. I feel like sounding its praises throughout the Universe." So will every one who tries Dr. King's New Discovery for any trouble of the Throat, Chest or Lungs. Price 50 cents and $1.00. Trial bottles 10 cents at R. R. BELLAMY'S Drug Store; every bottle guaranteed. †

CURRENT COMMENT.

—The story of how the Maine was blown up is again going the rounds. It promises to develop equal longevity with the inquiry, Who struck Billy Patterson? and other important questions.—*Baltimore Herald, Ind.*

—Hides are higher now than ever before, and packers are in a position to demand almost any price. Why? Because domestic hides are scarce, and nobody can import any without paying 15 per cent. tariff duty on raw hides and 20 per cent. on the dressed or tanned hides from abroad. Who profits by this tariff, the Government, the people, or the packers?—*Brooklyn Citizen, Dem.*

—The advance in the wages of cotton workers at Fall River appears to be justified by the rcent reports of profits realized. A short time since the cotton manufacturing industry seemed in desperate straits, but that is also changed by the return of prosperity. It will be observed, however, that the dividends paid in Massachusetts are still far behind the net earnings of the Southern mills.—*Louisville Courier Journal, Dem.*

—When Senator Hanna was questioned a few weeks ago, as to the correctness of the then current reports that he would not manage the Republican Presidential campaign next year he replied that he "would not relinquish nothing." Now the Senator with self-denial, says he would not direct another national campaign unless strong pressure should be exerted to induce him to do so. No doubt the Republican leaders fear the probable consequences of another Hanna-controlled campaign, and would exert their influence to keep him in the background rather than to again make him the chairman of the Republican National Executive Committee.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "Wadsleigh says he never makes mistakes." Hm-m! That's one of 'me."—*Sydney Town and Country Journal.*

— "What is a fraction?" "A part of anything, sorr." "Give an example." "The sivinteenth of June."—*Melbourne Weekly Times.*

— "Now, George, to what class of birds does the eagle belong?" "Birds of prey." "And the turkey, where does he belong?" "On the table."—*Life.*

— "Mistress (severely)—"If such a thing occurs again, Marie, I shall have to get another servant." Marie—"I wish you would, madam; there's quite enough work for two of us."—*Illustrated Bits.*

— Little Charlie—"Papa, will you buy me a drum for a present?" Later—"Ah, but, my boy, you will disturb me very much if I do." Little Charlie—"Oh, no, papa! I won't drum only when you are asleep."—*Larks.*

— Cholly—"What is the difference between a man who lives at his mother's and one who has intermittent rheumatism?" Tolly—"One is well all the time and ha rooms at his mother's—the other is well sometimes and has rheumatism others."

— "You charge me $2 for a supper consisting only of 'possum?" said the guest at the backwoods hotel. "Well," replied the landlord, "as far as market prices go, he ain't wuth it; but that wuz a mighty fat 'possum, stranger, an' he wuz so blamed hard to ketch!"

— Gussie (who has left his fiancee for a moment, fallen overboard and been dramatically rescued)—"Did—you—aw—faint when you heard them yell 'Man overboard?'" Helen (sobbing)—"N-no, Gussie, I never once suspected they could mean you."—*Sydney Town and Country Journal.*

— A Voice in the Dark—"Mamma, please gimme a drink of water; I'm so thirsty." "No; you're not thirsty. Turn over and go to sleep." A pause. "Mamma, won't you please give me a drink? I'm so thirsty." "If you don't turn over and go to sleep I'll get up and whip you." Another pause. "Mamma, won't you please gimme a drink when you get up to whip me?"

APPOINTMENTS

For Visitation by the Bishop of East Carolina.

December 10th, Sunday, second in Advent, M. P., St. Peter's, Gates county.

December 10th, Sunday, second in Advent, E. P., St. Mary's, Gatesville.

December 11th, Monday, Com., St. Mary's, Gatesville.

December 13th, Wednesday, St. Barnabas', Murfreesboro.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, M. P., St. Mark's, Roxobel.

December 17th, Sunday, third in Advent, E. P., Grace Church, Woodville.

December 21st, Thursday Fest, St. Thomas, St. Thomas', Windsor.

December 24th, Sunday, fourth in Advent, M. P., Advent, Williamston.

December 25th, Christmas, Grace, Plymouth.

December 31st, Sunday after Christmas, St. Thomas', Atkinson.

Holy communion at all morning services.

The children catechised when practicable.

The vestries will pleased be prepared to meet the bishop.

Offerings to be for Diocesan Missions.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—272 bales cotton, 3 casks spiri s turpentine, 39 barrels rosin, 8 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

W. C. & A. Railroad—2,018 bales cotton, 7 casks spirits turpentine, 88 barrels rosin, 31 barrels tar, 15 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—118 bales cotton, 23 casks spirits turpentine, 152 barrels rosin, 50 barrels tar.

W. & N. Railroad—55 bales cotton, 133 barrels tar.

Steamer Driver—25 bales cotton, 9 casks spirits turpentine, 131 barrels rosin, 161 barrels tar, 5 barrels crude turpentine.

Steamer Argyle—8 casks spirits turpentine, 130 barrels rosin, 1 barrel tar.

Total—Cotton, 2,488 bales; spirits turpentine, 51 casks; rosin, 619 barrels; tar, 251 barrels; crude turpentine, 21 barrels

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HANDSOME DWELLING.

Sensible Country House to Be Built on a Large Plot.

A tall house, or one with a tower, upon a small lot in the country, is out of keeping with the surroundings. Besides, a low house, somewhat rambling in its external appearance and simple in design, is more restful to the eye, giving an air of comfort and liberality and of genuine hospitality within. Simplicity and unconventionality are the real charms of country life and were best illustrated in New England home life in the days of the colonies, when the spinning wheel instead of the modern piano occupied the time and attention of the girl of the period; when our grandfathers cracked nuts and drank cider by the open wood fire in a temperature of 65 degrees F. by the light of a "tallow dip" instead of eating swell dinners and drinking champagne in steam heated apartments at 90 degrees F. in the glare of the electric light.

I would not raise my voice against progress in the arts and sciences, but is there not a happy medium between the extremes whereby the modern love of luxury and display may be tempered with more of the sweetness of home life, as it was in the "olden days?"

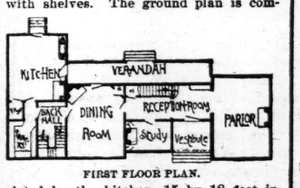
The accompanying cuts represent the plans and perspective view of a sensible and comfortable country house, which is

PERSPECTIVE VIEW.

designed to be located in the middle of a large plot of ground. The building has an extreme frontage of 70 feet and is 1½ stories in height, with the roof prettily broken with gables and dormer windows. The main entrance is protected by a broad porch, which opens into the large staircase hall. The latter can also be used as a reception room. The staircase and finish of the hall are of oak. The main newel of the stairs extends to the ceiling, with a corresponding pilaster against the wall, with an ornamental frieze of spindlework, which, with the three stained glass windows and the handsome front door, gives to this feature of the house a most pleasing effect.

At the right of the main hall is the parlor, 15 by 22 feet in dimensions, lighted by three full windows at each end, with headlights above and two smaller windows in the side. The chimney, with a large, open fireplace, is placed on the side of the room, as shown. The parlor is separated from the hall by a sliding door. The woodwork in the parlor is of ash, finished in the natural color of the wood. At the left of the vestibule is the study, 8 feet wide and 12 feet long, with an open fireplace at one end, and lighted by three triplet windows similar to those in the parlor, with a door opening into the main hall. At the left of the study is the dining room, 15 feet in width and 20 feet in length, lighted by triplet windows at one end similar to the parlor and a single window at the other, with a door on one side communicating with the main hall and a door on the opposite side opening into the servants' hall. An open fireplace is placed in one corner, with a china closet in the opposite corner to balance the same. This room is finished in antique oak.

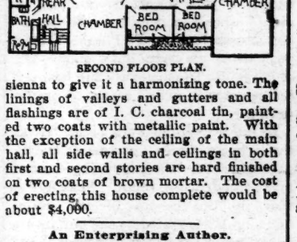
Between the servants' hall and kitchen is an unusually large pantry, fitted up with shelves. The ground plan is com-



FIRST FLOOR PLAN.

pleted by the kitchen, 15 by 18 feet in dimensions, which forms a wing projecting from the main building. The wing, with the gable over the parlor, rear veranda and dormer windows, gives a very picturesque effect to the rear of the building. In the second story are three large chambers and two smaller bedrooms, bathroom and closets complete. The woodwork of the kitchen, servants' hall and pantry is of yellow pine, except the shelves and doors, which are of white pine. The woodwork of bathroom is of ash. All floors are of yellow pine. The ceiling of main hall is of oak, neatly paneled, with timbers exposed. All other inside woodwork, except that before indicated, is of white pine, painted in two coats.

There is a cellar extending under the entire building, with walls laid up in cement mortar. The cellar bottom is cemented. The frame of the building is of spruce. The side walls and gables are sheathed with tongued and grooved stuff and covered with waterproof building paper. The first story is clapboarded with white pine beveled siding. The side walls and gables and cheeks of dormer windows are shingled with cypress shingles and stained with a mixture of burnt sienna and venetian red. The roofs are shingled with best quality of white pine shingles, nailed to 1 by 3 shingle lath, left unpainted. The chimneys are of hard brick, painted with venetian red and oil. The outside woodwork of the first story is painted a dark green, to which is added a little burnt



SECOND FLOOR PLAN.

sienna to give it a harmonizing tone. The linings of valleys and gutters and all flashings are of I. C. charcoal tin, painted two coats with metallic paint. With the exception of the ceiling of the main hall, all side walls and ceilings in both first and second stories are hard finished on two coats of brown mortar. The cost of erecting this house complete would be about $4,000.

An Enterprising Author.

A correspondent writing from the wilds of West Virginia says:

"I have wrote up to date four books that beat anything I has ever read, but I never published none of 'em, because nobody would handle 'em without pay in advance. I want to go to Georgia on a visit and will here state that I will sell one of 'em for a railroad pass to that state and another for a month's board at a moderate hotel. Now, I think that's mighty cheap for two first class novels which was wrote off by a man who was raised and born in the south and who went through the civil war like a streak of lightning!"—Atlanta Constitution.

Distinction.

"They say," remarked the candid friend, "that you ought to be disciplined."

"Why?" inquired Oom Paul.

"Because you won't give them any satisfaction when they ask you questions."

"Humph. I have at least the honor of being criticised as one of the few diplomats who haven't talked too much."—Washington Star.

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GLEANINGS.

It costs 46 cents to collect $1 of customs revenue in this country.

In France, during the period of the Capetian and Valois dynasties, the year began with Easter.

The London places of entertainment would hold all the inhabitants of Edinburgh, and then there would be several thousand vacant seats.

What proper sanitary regulations will do for the health of a great city is shown by the fact that in 1898 there was but one death from smallpox in London.

Monte Baldo, near the Lago di Garda, is showing signs of volcanic activity. Steam issues from fissures near the top, there is a rumbling inside the mountain, and the shores of the lake have been rising for a month past.

By means of a valuable toughening process recently discovered glass may now be molded into lengths and used as railway sleepers. Glass rails are also produced by this same toughening process. It is, therefore, possible to have a complete glass railway.

China still has the old fashioned system of private letter carrying. Letter shops are to be found in every town. If he has a letter to send, the Chinaman goes to a letter shop and bargains with the keeper thereof. He pays two-thirds of the cost, leaving the receiver to pay the rest on delivery.

WHOLESALE PRICES CURRENT.

☞ The following quotations represent wholesale Prices generally. In making up small orders higher prices have to be charged.

The quotations are always given as accurately as possible, but the STAR will not be responsible for any variations from the actual market price of the articles quoted.

BAGGING—			
2 ℔ Jute	6½	@	6¾
Standard	16½	@	6¾
Burlaps	5	@	5½
WESTERN SMOKED—			
Hams ℔ ℔	12½	@	15
Sides ℔ ℔		@	6¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	16
DRY SALTED—			
Sides ℔ ℔	5½	@	5¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@	5¾
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—			
Second-hand, each	1 25	@	1 35
New New York, each		@	1 40
New City, each		@	1 40
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@	25
BRICKS—			
Wilmington ℔ M	5 00	@	7 00
Northern	9 00	@	14 00
BUTTER—			
North Carolina ℔ ℔	21	@	25
Northern	25	@	30
CORN MEAL—			
Per bushel, in sacks		@	47½
Virginia Meal		@	47½
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 00	@	1 15
CANDLES—℔ ℔—			
Sperm	18	@	25
Adamantine	8	@	11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—			
Northern Factory	16	@	18
Dairy Cream		@	18
State	14	@	15
COFFEE—℔ ℔—			
Laguyra	12½	@	15
Rio	7	@	10
DOMESTICS—			
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@	5½
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@	70
EGGS—℔ dozen	15	@	18
FISH—			
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	20 00	@	30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@	15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@	18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@	9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@	14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@	4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@	3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@	3 25
Dry Cod, ℔ ℔	5	@	10
" Extra	4 25	@	4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—			
Low grade		@	3 00
Choice		@	3 50
Straight	3 90	@	4 00
First Patent	4 25	@	4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	13½	@	15
GRAIN—℔ bushel—			
Corn, from store, bgs—White	52	@	52½
Car-load, in bgs—White		@	50
Oats, from store	38	@	40
Oats, Rust Proof		@	45
Cow Peas	60	@	75
HIDES—℔ ℔—			
Green salted		@	6½
Dry flint	10	@	12½
Dry salt		@	19
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s			
Clover Hay	85	@	90
Rice Straw	40	@	50
Eastern	80	@	85
Western	80	@	85
North River	80	@	85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½	@	4
ILLUMINATING OILS—			
Diamond White, bbls ℔ gal		@	11½
Alaudin Security "		@	12½
Pratt's Astral "		@	13½
Carandine "		@	13
LARD, ℔ ℔—			
Northern	7	@	8
North Carolina	18	@	10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@	1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—			
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@	20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@	16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@	18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@	22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@	15 00
Common mill	5 00	@	6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@	8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@	10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@	10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—			
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@	35
Barbadoes, in barrels		@	38
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@	30
Porto Rico, in barrels	25	@	30
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@	14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@	15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@	35
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 50	@	3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—			
City Mess	10 00	@	10 50
Rump		@	9 50
Prime		@	9 00
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@	32
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@	1 25
Liverpool	83	@	85
American	73	@	83
On 100 ℔ Sacks		@	53½
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@	6 50
Common	1 60	@	2 25
Cypress Sage	2 50	@	2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd	5½	@	5½
Standard A	4½	@	5
White Extra C		@	4½
Extra C, Golden		@	4¼
C, Yellow		@	4¼
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3½	@	4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@	14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@	10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00	@	10 00
Mill, Prime	7 50	@	8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50	@	7 00
Common Mill	5 00	@	6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50	@	5 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed			
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@	8 50
" Sap	5 00	@	6 50
5x20 Heart	3 00	@	3 50
" Sap	2 00	@	2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@	6 50
" Sap	5 00	@	5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@	6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@	2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@	99
WOOL per ℔—Unwashed	14	@	15

MARINE.

ARRIVED.

Clyde steamship Oneida, 1,091 tons, Staples, New York, H G Smallbones.

Stmr Seabright, Sanders, Calabash and Little River, S C, Stone, Rourk & Co

Stmr Driver, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

Br steamship Astrea, 2,110 tons, Barry, Brackenburg, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

CLEARED.

Stmr Driver, Bradshaw, Fayetteville, T D Love.

MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels in the Port of Wilmington, N. C., Dec. 5, 1899.

STEAMSHIPS.

Astrea (Br), 2,110 tons, Barry, Brackenburg, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Skuld (Nor), 913 tons, Olsen, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Ormesby (Br), 1,828 tons, Robinson, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

Haslingden (Br), 1,220 tons, Higgins, E Peschau & Co.

Baron Innerdale (Br), 2,139 tons, McNeill, Alexander Sprunt & Son.

SCHOONERS.

Wm F Campbell, 201 tons, Strout, J T Riley & Co.

Chas C Lister, 367 tons, Robinson, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Ira B Eliems, 263 tons, Marston, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Island City, 418 tons, Henderson, Geo Harriss, Son & Co.

Nellie Floyd, 414 tons, Neilson, Heide & Co.

BARQUES.

Antonio (Itl), 499 tons, Caffero, Heide & Co.

River Thames (Nor) 454 tons, Quale, Heide & Co.

Johannee (Nor), 473 tons, Thorsen, H K Nash, for Paterson, Downing & Co.

BARGES.

Maria Dolores, 610 tons, Bonneau, Navassa Guano Co.

Colin Archer, (Nor.), 639 tons, Martinsen, Heide & Co.

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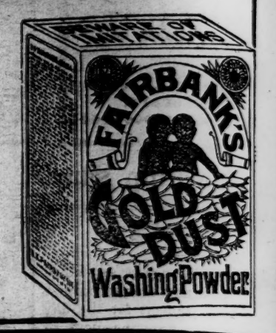

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WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, Dec. 4.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market steady at 48 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 47½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Market firm at $1.05 per barrel for strained and $1.10 for good strained.

TAR—Market firm at $1.40 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Market quiet at $1.50 per barrel for hard, $2.80 for dip and —— for virgin.

Quotations same day last year.—Spirits turpentine firm at 36½@36c; rosin firm at 97½c@$1.02½; tar firm at $1.20; crude turpentine quiet at $1.30@2.00, $3.00.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	51
Rosin	619
Tar	251
Crude turpentine	22

Receipts same day last year.—43 casks spirits turpentine, 766 bbls rosin, 409 bbls tar, 121 bbls crude turpentine.

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Market steady on a basis of 7¼c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	4 13 16	cts ℔ lb
Good ordinary	6 3-16	" "
Low middling	6 13-16	" "
Middling	7¼	" "
Good middling	7½	" "

Same day last year middling 5c.

Receipts—2,488 bales; same day last year, 2,669.

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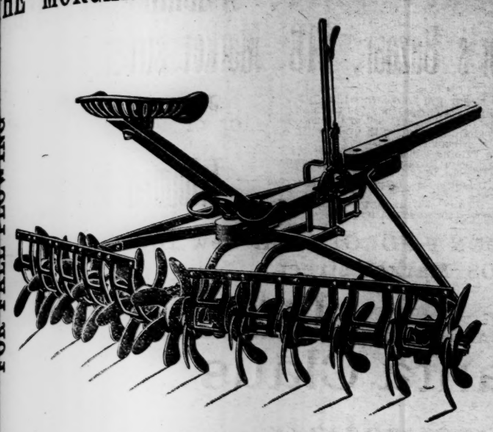

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Through sleeping cars from Hamlet to Washington and Atlanta; also through sleeping car Portsmouth.

Train 48—Leaves Portsmouth 9:30 A. M., arrives Weldon 11:43 A. M., Raleigh 2:30 P. M., Sanford 3:37 P. M., Hamlet 6:35 P. M., Wadesboro 8:10 P. M., Monroe 9:12 P. M., Charlotte 10:25 P. M., Atlanta 7:30 A. M.

Train 8—Leaves Atlanta 9:50 P. M. Leaves Monroe 5:00 A. M. Arrives Wadesboro 5:45 A. M., Hamlet 6:31 A. M., Sanford 7:45 A. M., Raleigh 11:13 A. M., Weldon 2:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

Train 49—Leaves Washington 5:00 P. M., Portsmouth 7:00 P. M., Weldon 8:10 P. M., Raleigh 11:19 P. M., Sanford 12:14 A. M., Hamlet 3:07 A. M., Wadesboro 3:53 A. M., Monroe 5:33 A. M., Charlotte 8:00 A. M.

Train 402—Leaves Charlotte 8:10 A. M. Arrives Monroe 8:51 A. M., Hamlet 7:43 A. M., Sanford 11:25 A. M., Raleigh 12:45 P. M., Weldon 3:50 P. M., Portsmouth 5:20 P. M.

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Train 400—Leaves Atlanta 12:00 noon. Arrives Monroe 8:26 P. M., Wadesboro 10:30 P. M., Hamlet 11:16 P. M., Sanford 12:55 P. M., Raleigh 2:00 P. M., Weldon 4:50 A. M., Portsmouth 7:25 A. M.

Train 12—Leaves Portsmouth 7:25 A. M., Weldon 8:10 A. M., Washington 12:41 noon.

Train 37—Leaves Hamlet 7:15 P. M. Arrives Sanford 8:30 P. M. Returning, leaves Gibson 8:40 P. M. Arrives Hamlet 7:40 A. M.

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Executor's Notice.

Having qualified as Executor of the last will and testament of Charles A. Foreman, deceased late of New Hanover county, N. C., this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of said deceased to exhibit them to the undersigned on or before the 26th day of November, A. D. 1900, or this notice will be plead in bar of their recovery. All persons indebted to said estate will please make immediate payment. GEORGE E. FOREMAN, Executor.

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Joel Chandler Harris has a horror of the theater. He has never in his life been known to enter the doors of one except to hear a reading by James Whitcomb Riley.

James Lane Allen lives most of the time in New York. Mr. Allen is a tall, spectacled man, very retiring, who carries his avoidance of personal publicity almost to the point of eccentricity.

Before Frederick S. Church began to study art he was a soldier in the civil war and an express messenger. He recently declared that he would be perfectly happy could he paint but one picture a year and destroy that if, when finished, he did not approve of it.

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COLORED SUNS.

Planets That Are Lighted by Blue, Green or Red Suns.

We are so familiar with the light of our sun, says Dorothy Leonard in the August St. Nicholas, that it is hard for us to realize that there are in the universe a number of suns which shine with blue, green, purple, yellow or red light. These colors are noticed when we examine them through the telescope.

When we look at the heavens on a clear night we see a great many stars, more than we can possibly count; and all these, except the planets, are great glorious suns, some of them many times larger than our own. Most of them shine with white light, like ours; but yet there are a good many which, viewed through the telescope, are found to be of various brilliant hues. The most striking and beautiful effects in coloring are met with in what are called the double stars. There are stars which appear single to us, on account of their extreme distance, but on examination, are found to consist of two or more stars comparatively near together; and when one or both of a pair are colored, they are, of course, exceedingly beautiful. In the constellation called the Southern Cross, one astronomer discovered a group, too far away or too small to be seen with the naked eye, which appeared to him like an elaborate piece of jewelry! For, among a number of ordinary stars, were five green, one greenish blue and two beautiful red ones. In one of our northern constellations there is a large white star accompanied by one of a rich purple hue; in another a triple star consisting of an orange red sun, with two companions of a bright emerald green; while in another a double star has a large orange sun with a small blue mate.

Among the single stars, some of the brightest (which are famous enough to have old Arabian names—given them before the Christian era) are of quite decided color. For instance, Sirius is bluish white; so also are Altair, Deneb and Vega; Arcturus is red; Capella is yellow; Rigel and several others are blue; and Aldebaran, Betelgeuse and Antares shine with bright red beams.

If any or all of these stars have planets circling around them, as the earth and other planets revolve around our sun, the coloring must be brilliant indeed. In planets revolving around the double suns we can imagine almost anything. One sun might rise in orange, green or blue, while another set in red or purple, and at times the two suns might mingle their beams, a red sun with a blue sun giving purple light for part of the day or a blue sun and a yellow sun giving green light.

A SUMMER REFLECTION.

I have read about old Dante and the journey which he took
To write the words that fill in for our parlor picture book,
And it's many a time I've wondered how it was he ever missed
The fiercest, most emphatic style of torture in the list.
I have scanned those illustrations, and I see nobody there
With the latest cut of clothing and a look of wild despair,
Compelled by imps who stand around, unpitying and alert,
To wear a stand up collar and a hard boiled shirt.

There is nothing more intense in the refinement of distress
Than to take a man when weather's at one hundred, more or less,
And starch him stiff and proper and then turn him down the street
To share the grim discomfort of the other men he'll meet.
And each will smile, no matter how his garb may rasp and cling;
Their grief knows not the comfort which companionship might bring.
You must keep inanely jolly and pretend it doesn't hurt
When you wear a stand up collar and a hard boiled shirt.

Is it possible the ruler of that realm depicted there
In the book which makes you shudder as you handle it with care
Is, way down deep within his heart, a sympathetic elf,
Far more considerate of man than man is of himself?
There are costumes light and airy as you glance the pages through,
And perhaps it is high time to let the devil have his due.
He ne'er compelled a mortal who his fate could not avert
To wear a stand up collar and a hard boiled shirt.

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A Farm of 250 acres four miles from Greenville, one mile from House station on the Atlantic Coast Line. One hundred and eighty-five acres cleared and in fine state of cultivation. One nice two-story dwelling with six rooms. One cook room and kitchen. One office. One set two-story stables with eight stalls. Two barns. Two tobacco barns. One 16-horse power engine, gin house, gin, press, etc., All necessary machinery attached. All kinds of farming implements, including wagons, carts, tools, etc. Also, four mules and one horse. Will sell all together or the land separate.

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Farm at Burgaw.

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A desirable farm of one hundred and fifty acres. Fifty acres is within the corporate limits of the town of Burgaw, N. C. Twenty two acres cleared. There is one nice, new three-room cottage, painted and plastered. Large stables and barns. A tenant's house, and strawberry packing house. A well of very fine drinking water. A nice orchard of 50 young fruit trees, consisting of Japan plums, peaches, pears, apples and figs.

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Schedule in Effect March 26th, 1899.

South Bound Daily No. 52	MAIN LINE.	North Bound Daily No. 53.
6 50 p m	Ar.....Wilmington.....Lv	9 00 a m
3 50 p m	Lv.....Fayetteville.....Ar	12 10 a m
3 45 p m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	12 28 p m
3 30 p m	Lv.....Sanford.....Lv	1 43 p m
12 42 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Lv	3 44 p m
12 13 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	4 15 p m
11 55 a m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Lv	4 35 p m
11 07 a m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	5 12 p m
10 36 a m	Lv.....Walnut Cove.....Lv	5 44 p m
10 09 a m	Lv.....Rural Hall.....Lv	6 13 p m
8 45 a m	Lv.....Mt. Airy.....Ar	7 35 p m

South Bound Daily No. 54.	BENNETTSVILLE.	North Bound Daily No. 55.
8 00 a m	Lv.....Bennettsville.....Ar	7 15 p m
9 07 a m	Lv.....Maxton.....Lv	6 15 p m
9 35 a m	Lv.....Red Springs.....Lv	5 35 p m
10 30 a m	Lv.....Hope Mills.....Lv	4 39 p m
10 40 a m	Ar.....Fayetteville.....Lv	4 33 p m
No. 46		No. 47.

South Bound Mixed Daily ex. Sunday.	MADISON BRANCH.	North Bound Mixed Daily ex Sunday.
5 30 p m	Ar.....Ramseur.....Lv	6 40 a m
3 59 p m	Lv.....Climax.....Ar	8 25 a m
2 40 p m	Lv.....Greensboro.....Ar	9 17 a m
2 30 p m	Ar.....Greensboro.....Lv	9 35 a m
1 15 p m	Lv.....Stokesdale.....Lv	11 07 a m
12 30 p m	Lv.....Madison.....Ar	11 55 a m

Connections at Fayetteville with Atlantic Coast Line, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad, at Greensboro with the Southern Railway Company, at Walnut Cove with the Norfolk and Western Railway.

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.19 A. M., Warsaw 11 33 A. M., Goldsboro 12.26 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M. Weldon 4.32 P. M., Petersburg 5.21 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.00 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.90 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.37 P. M., Wilson 10.30 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M. Weldon 1.00 A. M., †Norfolk 10.35 A. M., Petersburg 2.35 A. M., Richmond 3.33 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.33 A. M., Philadelphia 10.35 A. M. New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.25 P. M. No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.55 P. M., Chadbourn 5.38 P. M. Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M. Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.90 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M. Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M. Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12 19 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.35 P. M., arrives Sanford 1 43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 5.50 P. M. No. 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.00 P. M., New York *9.00 P. M., Philadelphia 12.05 A. M., Baltimore 2.50 A. M. Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.05 A. M., Petersburg 10.00 A. M., Norfolk 9.0? A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.21 P. M., Warsaw 4.12 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.06 P. M., Richmond 7.30 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M. Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M. Columbia 6'40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.50 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.34 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.08 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 6.15 A. M. Maxton 9.30 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4 40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leave Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 00 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M. and Greenville 8.32 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.15 A. m., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 3.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11.00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.05 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.00 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.35 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 9 30 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 10 10 A. M., 4.05 P. M., Spring Hope 10.40 A. M., 4.35 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.00 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Nashville 11 32 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M and 2.50 P. M

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.34 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.30 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.32 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.20 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 7.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M.; 5.55 P. M Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.0? A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 8.30 P. M.; arrive Florence 9.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.40 A. M., arrive Florence 9 15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.?5 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M. 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.06 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 1.21 5A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.54 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.45 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.59 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M. 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M. Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.08 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Bishopville Branch trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad

Time Table No. 9.

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899, at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave	STATIONS.	GOING WEST. Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
.....	3 40	Goldsboro.....	11 05	.....
.....	4 33	Kinston.....	10 12	.....
5 40	5 50	Newbern.....	8 37	9 00
7 02	7 07	Morehead City.	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.35 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M. and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 9.00 P. M. and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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The Morning Star.
WILMINGTON, N. C.
TUESDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 5.

REPUBLICAN CURRENCY BILL.

Establishes the Gold Dollar As the Standard of Value—Other Provisions of the Measure

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—The full text of the currency bill prepared by the Republican members of the Senate Finance Committee was made public to-day. It establishes the gold dollar of 25.8-10 grains as the standard of value and provides that all forms of the money issued or coined by the United States shall be maintained at a parity of value with this standard. It further provides for a reserve fund of $150,000,000 in gold coin to be used for redemption purposes only. If the Secretary of the Treasury shall be unable at any time to procure gold coin in exchange for notes redeemed he shall maintain the reserve by selling bonds not over three per cent., payable in gold coin, the proceeds to be used only for the purpose of restoring the reserve to its maximum. Treasury notes shall be retired and replaced by silver certificates as fast as the bullion purchased under the act of 1890 shall be coined into silver dollars. The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to issue gold certificates of not less than $20 denomination, which authority shall be suspended when the gold reserve shall fall below $100,000,000. No United States notes shall be issued of denominations less than $10 and no silver certificates shall be issued of denominations higher than $10.

The Secretary of the Treasury is authorized to refund any of the outstanding five per cent. bonds of the United States payable in 1904, and four per cent. bonds payable in 1907, and three per cent. bonds payable in 1908 and to issue in exchange therefor bonds bearing two per cent. interest, the principal payable at the pleasure of the United States after thirty years.

The bill provides for the issue by national banks of notes equal in face value to the par value of the bonds deposited by them and the tax on the circulation of such banks is fixed at one quarter of one per cent. each half year upon average amount of circulating notes based on deposit of two per cent. bonds.

TRUST CASE DECISION.

U. S. Supreme Court Decides Against the Constitutionality of the Cast Iron Pipe Combination.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, December 4.—In the U. S. Supreme Court to day the Addistone Pipe case was decided. This case involved the constitutionality of the combination of pipe manufacturers to manufacture pipe, which it was charged was a trust. The decision was handed down by Justice Peckham and was adverse to the combination. It was therefore in opposition to the trust. The opinion of the Court of Appeals for the sixth circuit was affirmed.

There were two questions before the court in connection with the case. The first was whether the constitutional clause for the regulation of the inter-state commerce law applied to individuals and corporations, and the second, whether, if the clause should be found to so apply, the combination is a regulation of interstate commerce.

The court held that the constitutional clause did apply to individuals and corporations, and that the agreement does by its provisions restrict and restrain commerce between the States. Hence the agreement was decided to be void as applying to interstate business, and the injunction sustained.

The six companies composing the combination affected were the Addistone Pipe and Steel Company, of Cincinnati; Dennis Long & Co., of Louisville; the Howard-Harrison Iron Company, of Bessemer, Ala.; the Anniston Pipe and Foundry Company, of Anniston, Ala.; the South Pittsburg Pipe Works, of South Pittsburg, Tenn., and the Chattanooga Foundry and Pipe Works, of Chattanooga, Tenn.

Their agreement provided that there should be no competition between the companies in thirty-six States, which were mentioned in the manufacture and sale of cast iron pipe.

RAILROAD TAX CASE.

Judge Simonton Has Granted a Petition for a Re-hearing December 19th Next.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

RALEIGH, December 4.—Judge Simonton has granted the petition of the Corporation Commission for a re-hearing of the railroad tax case. The date fixed for the re-hearing is December 19th, at Charleston, S. C. The re-hearing was asked on the ground that the recent decision of the State Supreme Court in the case of Abbott vs. Beddingfield holds that the Corporation Commission has the power to fix the tax value of railroad property in the State. Judge Simonton, in his decision, shortly before this, held exactly opposite. A Federal Judge is bound by a State's construction of its laws. Counsel for the Corporation Commission say that in view of the Abbott decision Judge Simonton cannot now do otherwise than reverse his opinion on the question of the taxing power. The railroads, on the other hand, will contend that the deliverance of the Supreme Court on the taxation question was purely a collateral matter, not directly before the court, and that therefore a United States judge is not bound by it.

The Corporation Commission fixed the value of railroad property in the State at $42,000,000 and Judge Simonton by his decision cut it down to $32,000,000.

ROBERTS NOT A CITIZEN.

Points in the Protest Against the Admission of the Utah Representative.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—The formal memorial and protest against the admission of Brigham H. Roberts to a seat in Congress was circulated in printed form and placed on the desks of members during the day. The main points are that Roberts is not a citizen since "at all times after 1883 he was and is a bigamist and polygamist" contrary to the law; that he has been prosecuted and punished for "unlawful cohabitation with more than one woman;" that he was born of British parents within the British realm and has never renounced his allegiance to Queen Victoria."

After reciting the legal and moral objections to Roberts, the petition asks that he be not allowed to take the oath of office or to have a seat in the House, that a special committee investigate the subject and that Roberts' seat be declared vacant. The document is signed by Joseph Strong, New York, President of the League of Social Service and many others.

OPENING SESSION OF 56TH CONGRESS

Proceedings in the Senate Were Brief and of Not Much Importance.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Henderson Speaker—Reed Rules Adopted. Objections to Seating Roberts, Mormon Representative From Utah. Committee of Investigation.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Appropriate tribute to the memory of the late Vice President Hobart was paid by the Senate to-day at the first session of the 56th Congress. The session lasted only thirty three minutes and only the most formal and necessary business was transacted. After the adoption of the usual routine resolutions and the administration to the new members of the oath of office, Senator Sewell, of New Jersey, presented fitting resolutions upon the death of the Vice President; the resolutions were ordered to be communicated to the House of Representatives and the session, on motion of Senator Kean, of New Jersey, was suspended at 12.33 P. M.

Senator Frye, of Maine, president pro tem., called the Senate to order at noon.

Senator Bacon, Georgia, was the first member to be recognized by the chair. He presented on behalf of Senator Mallory, Florida, who was detained from the session by illness, the credentials of Senator-elect Taliaferro, of Florida. They were filed.

Senator Penrose, Pennsylvania, presented the credentials of Matthew Stanley Quay, appointed Senator from Pennsylvania by the Governor.

On motion of Senator Cockrell, Missouri, the credentials of Senator Quay were referred to the Committee on Privileges and Elections. In this connection Senator Chandler, New Hampshire, offered a resolution that Senator Quay be admitted as a member from Pennsylvania. This resolution also went to the Committee on Privileges and Elections.

Remonstrations and memorials against the seating of Senator Quay were presented by Senator Burrows, Republican, Michigan, and Senator Jones, Democrat, Arkansas.

By direction of the chair, the new Senators were then presented at the secretary's desk, where the oath of office was administered to them by the President pro tem.

House of Representatives.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 4.—Enormous crowds witnessed the opening scenes in the House to-day. The principal interest centered in the disposition of the case of Mr. Roberts, the Mormon representative from Utah. Those who anticipated a sensational docket were disappointed. The programme outlined by the Republican leaders at their conference on Friday night was partially carried out. The objection to the administration of the oath to Mr. Roberts, was entered by Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, as predicted, and Mr. Roberts stepped aside without protest except to ask if by doing so he waived any of his rights. To this the Speaker responded in the negative.

Although Mr. Roberts was not sworn in to day he secured a seat. This, however, was by an accident pure and simple. In the seat drawing lottery no provision had been made for Mr. Roberts, but when the drawing was completed two others as well as himself had not been provided with seats and the Speaker asked and secured from the House general permission for those members who had not drawn seats to make such selections as they could. Under this authority Mr. Roberts got a seat in an obscure portion of the hall. Mr. Roberts was the observed of all observers throughout the day. His daughter sat in the gallery and watched the proceedings.

The Reed Rules.

The only feature out of the ordinary was the adoption of the Reed rules for the present Congress. The Democrats knew it was futile to more than protest against the adoption of these rules after the Republicans had decided upon this course in caucus and the debate upon the resolution to adopt them was very brief. They were adopted by a strict party vote.

Very early in the day the monster petition, said to consist of seven million names protesting against the seating of Mr. Roberts was brought into the hall. It had been collected by a New York newspaper. It consisted of twenty-eight rolls of names each about two feet in diameter, encased in the American flag. These rolls were stacked up in the area in front of the clerk's desk and were viewed with great curiosity. Later Major McDowell, clerk of the House, ordered all except two of the rolls taken out into the lobby and the big barrier against Mr. Roberts dwindled to the size of a barrel sawed in half wrapped in bunting.

As the minute hand of the clock opposite the Speaker's rostrum overtook the hour hand at noon, the gavel of the clerk of the last House, Major McDowell, standing at the desk below the Speaker's rostrum descended, with a bang.

The blind chaplain, Rev. Henry Couden, of Michigan, offered prayer. Then the reading clerk began calling the roll.

Mr Roberts sat listening intently for his name, and when his name was called he responded "here" in a loud voice. But he looked nervous and ill at ease. There were no demonstrations during the roll call. When it was concluded Clerk McDowell announced that 352 members had answered to their names—a quorum. "The next thing in order," announced the clerk, "is the

Election of Speaker."

Mr. Hepburn, of Iowa, offered a resolution, which was adopted *viva voce*, providing that the House proceed to the election of a Speaker for the 56th Congress. Thereupon Mr. Grosvenor, of Ohio, as chairman of the Republican caucus, presented the name of David B. Henderson, of Iowa. The mention of the name of General Henderson was greeted with a round of applause from the Republican side.

Mr. Hay, of Virginia, chairman of the Democratic caucus, nominated James D. Richardson, of Tennessee, and his name drew the plaudits of the Democratic side.

Mr. Ridgley, of Kansas, nominated John C. Bell, of Colorado, as the Populist candidate, and Mr. Wilson, of Idaho, placed Francis C. Newlands, of Nevada, in nomination as the candidate for the Silver party.

The roll call resulted: Henderson, 177; Richardson, 153; Bell, 4; Newlands, 2.

The clerk thereupon announced the election of Mr. Henderson amid great Republican applause. He designated Mr. Richardson, Mr. Bell and Mr. Newlands as a committee to escort the Speaker to the chair.

The committee retired to the lobby and after a short wait the doors of the main port of the House swung open and General Henderson entered upon the arm of Mr. Richardson, followed by the two other members of the committee. When he ascended the rostrum, Mr. Richardson, in a neat speech introduced him and in response to the hearty cheers he addressed the House briefly acknowledging hisappreciation of the great responsibility.

In accordance with the time-honored custom, the oldest member of the House, in point of service, Mr. Harmer, of Pennsylvania, who has served twenty-four years in the lower branch of Congress, administered the oath to the Speaker. The Speaker then announced that the oath would be administered to to the members by States. As the names of the members were called they appeared at the bar in groups of about a dozen and there with raised hands were sworn in by the Speaker.

The Case of Roberts.

The moment for which all present were anxiously waiting came when the State oath and Mr. Roberts' name were called. Instantly a hush fell upon the assembly. Mr. Taylor, of Ohio, was on his feet asking for recognition. The Speaker recognized him immediately. "I object to the swearing in of the representative elect from Utah and to his taking his seat," began Mr. Taylor in a clear distinct voice. "I do, Mr. Speaker," he continued, "on my responsibility as a member of this House, and because specific, serious, and apparently well-grounded charges of ineligibility are made against him. A transcript of the proceedings of a court in Utah evidences the fact that the claimant was in 1889 convicted or that he pleaded guilty, of the crime of unlawful cohabitation. Affidavits and other papers in my possession indicate that ever since then he has been persistently guilty of the same crime, and that ever since then he has been and is now a polygamist. If this transcript and these affidavits and papers tell the truth, the member elect from Utah is in my judgment ineligible to be a member of this House of Representatives, both because of the statutory disqualification of the Edmunds law, and for higher and graver and quite as sound reasons. I ought also to say in addition to what I have just said that I have in my possession a certified copy of the entry under which the claimant to this seat was naturalized, and that eminent counsel assert that if it be the record in the case, this claimant is not a citizen of the United States. I offer and express no opinion upon that proposition.

"Mr. Speaker, if it were possible to emphasize the gravity of those charges and the responsibility that is at this moment imposed upon the House, we will find that emphasis in the memorials, a small part of which could be physically cared for in this hall, but all of which I now present to the House, from over seven million American men and women protesting against the entrance of this representative elect from Utah."

At the conclusion of Mr. Taylor's remarks, Mr. McRae (Democrat, Arkansas) briefly expressed his concurrence in the protest of Mr. Taylor. If the charges hanging over the head of the representative elect from Utah were true, he said, his being sworn in would be an assault upon every American home. If true, Mr. Roberts was guilty of a violation of the laws of the United States and of Utah, and the charges should be investigated. If they were proven true, he said emphatically, in conclusion, there should not be a vote in the House in favor of allowing him a seat in this body.

Meantime Mr. Roberts had advanced to the head of the aisle and stood there irresolutely. "In view of the objection," said the Speaker, addressing him, "the gentleman will step aside."

"I do so," replied Mr. Roberts, "with the understanding that by my action I waive none of my rights."

"None of the gentleman's rights will be lost," said the Speaker, and Mr. Roberts thereupon retired quietly to his seat. There was no demonstration either on the floor or in the galleries.

The remaining members were then sworn in, after which Mr. Taylor immediately offered his resolution to refer the case of Roberts to a special committee. The resolution was as follows:

"WHEREAS, It is charged that Brigham H. Roberts, a representative-elect to the 56th Congress from the State of Utah, is ineligible to a seat in the House of Representatives; and, whereas, such a charge is made through a member of the House on his responsibility as such member, and on the basis, as he asserts of public records, affidavits and papers evidencing such ineligibility; therefore,

"*Resolved*, That the question of the *prima facie* right of Brigham H. Roberts to be sworn in as a representative from the State of Utah in the 56th Congress, as well as his final right to a seat therein as such Representative, be referred to a special committee of nine members of the House to be appointed by the Speaker, and until such committee shall report upon and the House decide such question and right, the said Brigham H. Roberts shall not be sworn in or be permitted to occupy a seat in this House; and said committee shall have power to send for persons and papers and examine witnesses on oath in relation to the subject matter of this resolution."

An agreement was then reached by which the consideration of the resolution should be postponed until to-morrow after the reading of the President's message. The excitement thereupon quickly subsided and many of the spectators left the galleries.

After the usual committee to notify the President and Senate of the organization of the House had been named, Mr. Dalzell, Republican, Pennsylvania, offered a resolution for the adoption of the rules of the last Congress, which, after a brief debate in which Messrs. Bailey, Richardson and Hepburn took part, was adopted by a vote of 177 to 158

The drawing of seats then occurred, Mr. Adams, of Georgia, securing the seat occupied by Speaker Crisp in the 51st Congress and Mr. Bailey a conspicuous place near his old seat. Mr. Richardson was given his old seat.

Mr. Gardiner, of New Jersey, announced the death of Vice President Hobart, and as a mark of respect, the House, at 3:50 P. M. adjourned until to-morrow.

The Shipping Bill.

The Shipping bill was introduced in the House to day by Representative Payne, of New York, who with Senator Hanna prepared and introduced the bill last year. Mr. Payne says it is the same in all essential particulars as the former bill, except that a provision is made that the bounties shall not exceed $9,000,000 annually and that foreign built ships having American registry shall have only 50 per cent. of the bounty rates provided. In case the total bounties earned exceed $9,000,000 a pro rata allowance is to be made.

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A statement of Mr. D. Cardwell, division freight agent of the Southern Railway shows that fourteen more new cotton mills are being built on its lines in South Carolina and that fourteen more mills are making additions, practically doubling their capacity.

METHUEN'S FIGHT AT MODDER RIVER.

The Battle Conducted With Unprecedented Stubbornness On Both Sides.

A WATERLOO FOR THE BOERS

British Accounts of the Affair—No Quarter Seems to Have Been Given On Either Side—Boers Retreated. Many Dead and Dying.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, December 5.—The correspondent of the Associated Press with General Lord Methuen's column, telegraphing from Modder river last Thursday says:

"The Waterloo of the campaign has been fought and won. The battle was conducted with unprecedented stubbornness on both sides. There was one continuous roar, like the explosion of countless fire-crackers. There was no flinching on either side, and not a moment's pause.

"For five hours the British batteries poured tons of shrapnel and shells into the Boer positions. Lord Methuen had twenty-two guns and each fired an average of 200 rounds The Boers had an almost equal number of guns, which, it is reported, were mostly served by French and German artillerists.

"Owing to the bend in the river on the right, the Boers had an opportunity of cross firing on the British attack. A Boer Hotchkiss was directed with marvellous accuracy against a British Maxim, killing the sergeant in charge, wounding an officer and disabling the gun. This occurred quite at the beginning of the engagement Whenever the Boer fire was silenced in one direction it was immediately reopened in another.

"Owing to the terrific fire, nobody on the plain was out of range. Stretcher-bearers found it impossible to go forward in the very few cases they were called upon to attend, and the wounded were compelled if possible, to crawl out of the lines.

"No quarter seems to have been given on either side. The British assert that, amid the bullets, the ambulance wagons displayed their flags promiscuously to no advantage. These were separately driven back and were compelled to take refuge out of sight.

"It is reported that General Cronje, with his contingent, retreated toward Langeberg at 4 o'clock in the afternoon. Others followed in the direction of Jacobsdal, and the main body of the Boers retired with the guns about eight in the evening.

"On the following morning at daybreak, the British fired a few shells into the village; but got no response. A patrol of cavalry crossed the river and found the enemy's camp deserted. Dead Boers and many who were dying were to be seen everywhere in the entrenchments, as well as numerous new graves. Several buildings were in smoking ruins.

"Some of the Boer prisoners say that General Cronje was in supreme command. He had to whip his men to prevent them from deserting, and despite this many threw down their rifles and fled."

IN PURSUIT OF AGUINALDO.

Gen. Young Hopes to Capture the Insurgent Leader—Americans Received With Demonstrations of Friendliness.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

MANILA, December 4.—An Associated Press dispatch from Santa Cruz, province of South Ilocos, forwarded by courier to San Fabian, says that General Young, with three troops of the Third cavalry and Major Peyton March's battalion of the Thirty-third infantry, are at Santa Cruz to-day. The Americans left Hamapacan, province of Union, this morning, expecting to have a hard fight at Tagudin, in South Ilocos province, but they found on arriving there that six hundred rebels under General Tino had evacuated thirty six hours before, deserting an almost impregnable position.

The insurgents had been entrenched at Tagudin on the north side of the river, where a hundred well disciplined troops could have slaughtered a whole brigade crossing the river, with the men up to their arm pits in water.

The residents of Tagudin received the Americans outside the town with a brass band. They had been robbed of almost everything by the insurgents and were glad to welcome friendly and protecting troops

A similar reception awaited General Young at Santa Cruz Prominent citizens, headed by a band, escorted the American officers to houses, where rest and refreshments were offered.

General Young's command was almost without food. The men had been living on the country which afords but little, and the horses were completely worn out, most of them without shoes.

The inhabitants of Santa Cruz and other towns through which the Americans passed say that Aguinaldo and his entire refugee army have gone into the mountains eastward since the Oregon, Samar and Callao attacked Vigan and landed a force there.

An Associated Press dispatch from Dagupan, containing advices later than those from Santa Cruz, says that General Young hopes to find Aguinaldo in Benguet mountain pass, and to capture him there. Both entrances to Benguet are fortified, Two troops of the Third cavalry will reinforce Gen. Young in the pass.

EXPRESS ROBBERY.

A Clue to the Branchville, S. C., Affair. No Reason to Suspect Employes.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

COLUMBIA, S. C., December 4.—A clue to the identity of the Branchville express robber is being worked by O. M. Sadler, district superintendent, and local manager Terrell. On the platform of the express car was found a sledge hammer, apparently new, marked "Atwood, ten half pounds." Mr. Sadler declares that there is no reason to suspect the employes of the company of carelessness or of complicity.

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THE KENTUCKY CONTEST.

State Board Canvassing Returns of the Election—The Real Struggle Will Begin To-day.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., December 4.—Fifty-one counties were canvassed by the Kentucky State board of election commissioners to-day, out of a total of 119 in the State. Of these fifty one counties, five were passed over to be considered immediately upon conclusion of the work of the canvassing board.

The counties canvassed give Goebel a total vote of 74,164 and Taylor 68,978. The counties passed over are Christian, Fleming, Green, Harlan and Harrison.

It will probably take the board the greater part of to-morrow to canvass the returns of the remaining counties, and it will then resolve itself into a contesting board, adjourn to the large hall in which the Legislature meets, and for a time vocal fireworks will be in order. The real work that will count for the election of Goebel or Taylor will begin then, and every inch will be fought fiercely by both sides.

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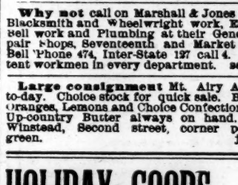

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